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DECISION RECORD and FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT for the REVETMENT ROAD TRAIL REROUTE ON CAMPBELL TRACT

I. Decision:

It is my decision to authorize the re-routing and construction of three trail segments on the Revetment Road Trail and Moose Track Trail on Campbell Tract. Trail corridors will be established in a manner that minimizes resource disturbance and vegetation removal. Mitigation will be accomplished by re-vegetating approximately 2 acres of the lower portion of the maintenance road leading east from the airstrip to the new re-routed trail junction. Re-vegetation will also be performed on existing social trails at the north end of the airstrip, and adjacent to the dog sled trail behind the Campbell Creek Science Center public parking lot.

II. Rationale for the Decision:

The decision to authorize the construction of the Revetment Road Trail and Moose Track Trail re-routes on Campbell Tract will reduce recreational use on the Campbell Airstrip, providing a safer environment for both aircraft operations and recreational users. This project provides an alternate route that enables users to detour around the airstrip and provides additional multi-use, accessible trail capacity to the Campbell Tract recreation program. This decision does not result in any undue or unnecessary environmental degradation.

The lands are within the boundaries of the Southcentral Management Framework Plan (MFP), dated March 1980. The Management Plan for Public Use and Resource Management on the Bureau of Land Management Campbell Tract Facility (June 1988) identifies the project areas as part of the Dispersed Recreation Zone. The management objective for a Dispersed Recreation Zone is to allow and enhance non-motorized, dispersed recreation uses where compatible with administrative use of the airstrip, the communication sites, access roads, and to allow new trail development as needed.

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III. Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI):

Based on the analysis of potential environmental impacts contained in the attached environmental assessment, I have determined that impacts are not expected to be significant and an environmental impact statement is not required.

IV. <u>ANILCA Section 810 Compliance:</u>

The decision will not significantly restrict subsistence uses, decrease the abundance of subsistence resources, alter the distribution of subsistence resources, or limit subsistence user access from currently existing conditions. No further analysis is necessary at this time.

V. <u>Adverse Energy Impact Compliance:</u>

This action has been analyzed as required by Washington Office Instruction Memorandum 2002-053 to determine if it will cause an adverse impact on energy development. The action will not have an adverse direct or indirect impact on energy development, production or distribution. The preparation of a Statement of Adverse Energy Impact is not required.

_/s/ June Bailey	05-14-04
Anchorage Field Manager	Date

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STIPULATIONS

- 1. Refueling of heavy equipment is permitted only in the AFO maintenance yard. Chainsaws may be refueled in the field only within large plastic containers to capture spills.
- 2. Heavy equipment use is only permitted on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.
- 3. Signs will be posted at Coyote Trail, Birch Knob Trail and Viewpoint Trail closing the RRT to recreational traffic during periods of heavy equipment use.
- 4. Permanent gates will be installed on the service road immediately south of Birch Knob Trail and the service road between CCSC and the airstrip to divert users off the airstrip onto the new trail route. Seasonal fences and signs will be installed at the north end of the RRT near the Birch Knob junction and at the RRT/maintenance road junction to prevent winter multi-use of dog sled trails.
- 5. All trail corridors will be measured and clearly marked before construction to prevent removal of excess trees and vegetation.
- 6. Social trails at the north end of the airstrip adjacent to the re-route will be obliterated and re-vegetated.
- 7. Social trails connecting to the dog-sled trail behind the CCSC parking lot will be obliterated and re-vegetated.
- 8. The abandoned Viewpoint electronic site maintenance road will be re-vegetated from the re-route junction west to the airstrip upon completion of the re-routed trail.